

30 Days of Reentry Reflection

JANUARY 15 - FEBRUARY 15, 2006

The CSOSA/Community Partnership announces 30 Days of Reentry Reflection, a series of events to raise awareness of the needs of prisoners returning from incarceration to the District of Columbia and the Partnership's efforts to meet those needs. Founded in 2001, the Partnership unites the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA) and the city's faith community to bring the support, services, and fellowship of our city's faith institutions to returning offenders.

The Partnership's activities include:

- Outreach to the city's clergy to increase membership in our interdenominational network of participating institutions.
- A mentor program that includes CSOSA training and support. Over 200 mentors have been trained, and over 100 offenders have been placed.
- Offender referrals to a network of faith-based support services, including job training, transitional housing, substance abuse counseling, and family support.
- Outreach to the Federal Bureau of Prisons to begin reentry support prior to release.

Please join us in growing this initiative. The support offered by faith institutions and their members is critical to the returning offender's success in building a new life and avoiding the cycle of substance abuse and crime that has claimed so many of our city's residents.

If you would like to get involved, please contact one of our cluster coordinators or CSOSA:

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UPCOMING REENTRY EVENTS:

Check <u>www.csosa.gov</u> or call (202) 220-5320 for specific event times and addresses. Some events are invitational or require registration. Additional events are being planned and will be announced on the web site.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

Muslim Worship Service and Luncheon

Masjid Ush-Shura

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

Chaplain's Challenge: Beginning Faith-Based Reentry During Incarceration

New Commandment Baptist Church

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

Christian Worship Services

Upper Room Baptist Church

Pilgrim Baptist Church

New Commandment Baptist Church

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

Rejoice and Be Thankful!

A Gathering of Mentors, Mentees and CSOs

Covenant Baptist Church

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

Women's Reentry Forum

Ft. Davis Community Center

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9

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Citywide Reentry Assembly

St. Luke Center

Visit www.csosa.gov for more information on reentry activities and mentoring.